

In the claims:

Following is a complete set of claims as amended with this Response.

1-28 (Cancelled)

29. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

preprogramming voice commands into a computer system in the form of verbal instructions;

transitioning a central processing unit (CPU) of the computer ~~a computer~~ system into a low power mode, the computer system having a computer system memory coupled to the CPU,

activating a low-power subsystem that is independent of the CPU when the CPU transitions into the low-power mode, the low power subsystem having a subsystem processor that is also coupled to the computer system memory;

receiving verbal instructions from a user ~~through a wireless headset, the wireless headset being coupled to the low power subsystem through a wireless interface of the low power subsystem;~~

independent of the CPU, interpreting the verbal instructions from the user at a speech recognition unit of the low-power subsystem as one of the preprogrammed commands; and

independent of the CPU and in response to the verbal instructions, accessing multimedia data contained within the computer system memory using the subsystem processor ~~a processor of the low power subsystem;~~ and

presenting the accessed multimedia data from the low power subsystem to the user.

30. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 29, wherein accessing data comprises accessing data through a shared database, the method further comprising storing at least a partial copy of data accessed from the computer system memory in the shared database.

31. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 29, wherein receiving verbal instructions comprises receiving instructions spoken by a user through a headset that includes a microphone ~~the computer system memory comprises a disk drive unit.~~

32. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 29, wherein ~~the data contained in the shared database includes multimedia data~~ receiving verbal instructions comprises receiving instructions spoken by a user through a wireless headset, the wireless headset being coupled to the low-power subsystem through a wireless interface of the low-power subsystem.

33. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 29, further comprising accessing data from a network via the wireless interface of the low-power subsystem.

34. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 32 ~~claim 29~~, wherein the wireless headset comprises a Bluetooth™ headset communicating with the low-power subsystem through a Bluetooth™ interface of the wireless interface.

35. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 33, wherein the network is an electronic store allowing an electronic purchase.

36. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 29, wherein presenting the accessed data comprises ~~further comprising~~ presenting the data ~~accessed~~ to a user via a display of the low-power subsystem.

37. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 29, wherein presenting the accessed data comprises further comprising presenting the data accessed to a user via an audio output of the wireless headset.

38. (Currently Amended) An apparatus comprising:  
a computer system having a central processing unit (CPU) and a computer system memory coupled to the CPU, the computer system receiving preprogramming of voice commands in the form of verbal instructions; and

a low-power subsystem in operation when the computer system enters a low power mode including a wireless interface to receive verbal instruction from a user as one of the preprogrammed commands through a microphone wireless headset coupled to the wireless interface, the low-power subsystem having a speech recognition unit to interpret the verbal instructions from the user and a processor to provide access to the computer system memory in response to the verbal instructions, the processor accessing multimedia data from the computer system memory and presenting the accessed multimedia data to the user.

39. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of Claim 38, wherein the low-power subsystem accesses access the computer system memory through a shared database.

40. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 39, wherein the computer system further comprises:

a central processing unit (CPU);  
a memory device coupled to the central processing unit; and  
a disk drive unit coupled to the central processing unit as the computer system memory.

41. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 40, wherein the shared database is coupled to the disk drive unit, the shared database to store at least a partial copy of data stored on the disk drive unit.

42. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 39, wherein data contained within the shared database includes multimedia data.

43. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 38, wherein the wireless interface of the low-power subsystem connects with a local area network.

44. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 38, wherein the low-power subsystem further comprises a video display to display data accessed from the computer system.

45. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 38, wherein receiving verbal instructions comprises ~~further comprising~~ receiving commands at the computer system through a ~~through the~~ wireless interface as verbal instructions.

46. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 45, further comprising presenting the data accessed from the computer system through an audio headset as audio data transmitted from the wireless interface.

47. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 38, further comprising sending the data accessed from the computer system to a cellular phone.

48. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 38, wherein the computer system comprises a main screen and the low-power subsystem comprises a miniature display screen and wherein the miniature display screen is activated when the main screen is closed.

49. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 38, wherein the computer system comprises stored multimedia data, wherein the low-power subsystem accesses the stored multimedia data and wherein the low-power subsystem presents the multimedia data to a user through the wireless interface.

50. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 49, wherein the low-power subsystem presents the multimedia data to the user over a miniature display screen of the low-power subsystem.

51. (Currently Amended) A low-power subsystem comprising:  
a wireless interface to receive verbal instruction from a user the verbal instructions being programmed voice commands ~~through a wireless headset coupled to the wireless interface;~~

a speech recognition unit to interpret the verbal instructions received from the user through the wireless interface; and

a processor coupled to the speech recognition unit, the processor providing access to a computer system system memory independent of the computer system central processing unit, the central processing unit being coupled to the computer system memory when the computer system is in a ~~in a~~ low power mode in response to verbal instructions from the speech recognition unit, the processor accessing multimedia data contained within the computer system memory and presenting the accessed multimedia data from the low-power subsystem to the user.

52. (Currently Amended) The low-power subsystem of claim 51 wherein the processor provides access to the computer system memory through a shared database coupled to the low-power subsystem and the computer system.

53. (Currently Amended) The low-power subsystem of claim 52, wherein the shared database is coupled to the computer system memory to store at least a partial copy of data stored in the computer system.

54. (Currently Amended) The low-power subsystem of claim 51, further comprising a ~~wherein the~~ wireless interface further connects to an external network.

55. (Previously Presented) The low-power subsystem of claim 51, further comprising presenting data accessed from the computer system through the wireless interface to a to the wireless headset.

56. (Previously Presented) The low-power subsystem of claim 51 further comprising a miniature display screen to present data accessed from the computer system to the user.